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COMMUNICATION

This is in response to applicants' "Communication" filed 19 May 2000, requesting that the order of inventors be changed.

Pursuant to MPEP 605.04(f), the order of inventors will not be changed except when a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is granted. Because applicants have not filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 along with the required petition fee, it would be inappropriate to grant applicants' request at the present time.

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